

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

HEATHER TURLEY,

Plaintiff/Appellant,

v.

RICHARD COLWELL, et al.,

Defendants/Appellees

and

MAKE ELECTIONS FAIR PAC,

Real Party in Interest/Appellee.

No. CV-24-0197-AP/EL

Maricopa County Superior Court
No. CV2024-022057

**MARICOPA COUNTY'S
NOTICE OF DECISION-
DEADLINE FOR BALLOT
PRINTING**

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The Defendant-Appellee Maricopa County Recorder Stephen Richer and non-party Maricopa County Board of Supervisors hereby provide notice to the Court and the Parties as follows:

Maricopa County Defendants in the various initiative petition challenges have repeatedly advised parties and courts, including in this matter, that Maricopa County's Elections Department will begin its ballot building process in the morning of August 23, 2024. The County must commence its ballot building process on this date to ensure that it can deliver the correct ballot templates to its printer in sufficient time for its printer to print the ballots for UOCAVA voters. Accordingly, Maricopa County has repeatedly advised through its counsel of record that its "decision deadline" for final dispositions of the initiative challenges is 11:59 p.m. on August 22, 2024, so the ballot building process can timely commence on August 23.

Because this appeal was not filed until August 21, undersigned counsel asked the Elections Director *what time* in the morning of August 23, 2024, the ballot building process will begin. The Elections Director advised that it will be early in the morning, but sometime after 6 a.m.

ACCORDINGLY, Maricopa County's ultimate, final decision deadline, for the County to make changes to the ballot, is **6:00 a.m., August 23, 2024.**

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 21st day of August, 2024.

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By: /s/ Joseph E. La Rue
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